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Re: U.S. Patent Application entitled: "Cyclone Dust Collecting Device Of
A Vacuum Cleaner"
Inventor(s): Jang-Keun Oh
Filing Date: October 22, 2001
Your Reference: OKE/403/US
Our Reference: AB-1114 US

Dear Sirs:


Enclosed please find a copy of the following documents, as submitted to the United
States Patent and Trademark Office ("USPTO") on October 22, 2001, in regard to the above-
referenced patent application:

1. Transmittal Letter (1 pp.);
2. Specification (including Claims and Abstract) (16 pp.);
3. Drawings (5 pp.);
4. Declaration and Power of Attorney (2 pp.);
5. Recordation Cover Sheet (1 pp.);
6. Assignment (1 pp);
7. Face page of Korean Priority document (1 pp).

We will keep you informed of further progress. Please call me if you have any questions.

Enclosed is our invoice in duplicate.

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Enclosed herewith for filing is a patent application, as follows:

Inventor(s): Jang-keun Oh

Title: Cyclone Dust Collecting Device For A Vacuum Cleaner

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12 page(s) Specification and Title Page (not including claims)

4 page(s) Claims

1 page Abstract

5 Sheet(s) of Drawings

2 page(s) Declaration For Patent Application and Power of Attorney

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1 page(s) Assignment

☒ Other: Certified copy of Korean Application Number 2000-70906 (17 pages)

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Re: U.S. Patent Application entitled "Cyclone Dust Collecting Device Of A Vacuum Cleaner"
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Dear Mr. Jeong:

Enclosed is a copy of the United States Patent and Trademark Office Filing Receipt which we have received in the above application. This receipt indicates that the application was assigned the following Serial Number and Filing Date:

Serial No.: 10/053,839
Filing Date: January 22, 2002

Please refer to our firm's docket number AB-1114 US in all future correspondence relating to this application.

We have noticed an error in the filing date as it is printed on the Filing Receipt. We will ask the Patent Office to correct the error, and we will send you a corrected filing receipt as soon as we receive it.

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We will keep you informed of all further progress in this application. Please contact us if you have any questions on this matter.

Very truly yours,

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Inquiries regarding this notice should be directed to Senior Legal Advisor Eugenia A. Jones at 703-306-5586.

Date: 03/11/02

Signed: /s/
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